the consortium of M/s. Hindustan Construction Company (HCC) and M/s. Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. (BHEL).

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) A Comprehensive Environmental ImpactAssessment (CEIA) study has been conducted to ascertain the environmental/ecological impact of the project. In addition to this, studies have also been carried out on the physical status of the reservoirs (such as siltation, power generation against installed capacity) and catchment area with treatment plan for all upstream reservoirs.

(e) The project is expected to be operational during 2008-09.

Amendment in Electricity Act

849. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Power proposes to amend the sections 61,66, 73, 75, 79, 86,107 and 108 of the Electricity Act;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government proposes to decide how much consumer has to pay instead of regulator; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) There is a proposal to amend the Electricity Act, 2003 which, *inter-alia,* includes amendment to section 61 of the Act in regard to 'elimination' of cross subsidies.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Generation and consumption of power in the country

850. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state the details of power generation and consumption in various States of the country during each of the last three years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI RM. SAYEED): State-wise power generation and consumption in the country during the last three years *i.e.* 2002-03 to 2004-05 is given in the Statement.